Thirteen Monuments Will Be Erected, Each of Gray Granite, and It is Esti mated That the Work Will Cost Four Thousand Dollars.

A movement has been started in Richmond, Va., to erect monuments over the graves of the southern soldiers who died in northern prisons. Strange to say, the suggestion came from a northern man, a veteran of the

Federal army. Col William H. Knauss, of Columbus, O., last May directed an appeal to the United Confederate Veterans, asking that the graves of the Confederate prisoners at Camp Chase be remembered. This appeal had immediate effect and resulted in calling attention to the fact that the resting places of 20,000 southern dead above Mason and Dixon's line are unmarked. The records in the archives at Washington were searched and it was found that there are 20,126 Confederate graves distributed among thirteen northern

prisons as follows: Camp Butler, Ill..... 644

tions. It is estimated that about \$4,000 will cover the cost of this work and a Confederate veterans, the Daughters of the Confederacy and the Sons of the Confederacy, has undertaken the task of raising that sum. This committee has issued an appeal to the people of the south for contributions and their hope is that the responses will be so liberal as to permit the completion of all the monuments before the next annual meeting of the United Confederate Veterans in July, 1898. All contributions are to be sent to the treas-United Confederate Veterans.

The text of the address is as follows: "Confederate Veterans, Sons of Vetthe cold blasts of the north even before his business went to the bank, got the icy hand of Death touched them. the money, put it in his pocket, got Who has reminded us of our duty to on his horse and started home. He the memory of these dead heroes? A hadn't ridden more than three or four generous Federal officer, bearing the miles from town before a man stepped scars and still suffering from the out from behind some bushes with a wounds won honorably in battle with drawn pistol, saying: "Give me that

"All honor to Colonel William H.
Knauss, of Columbus, C., who in
May, 1897, sent out an appeal to the
United Confederate Veterans, asking reglied the highwayman. that the graves of the Confederate pris graves. Have we forgotten 'our dead?' highwayman, 'don't you know that I No; but the cry of the needy wives will kill you fo? that money if I must and children of these dead have been kill you to get it?" ever at our door, and we could not reach beyond.

"The time has now come when these graves must be marked. To accomplish this object it will be necessary to before the next annual meeting of the think of your life?" United Confederate Veterans in July, 1898. Whatever sum this committee vided equally between the prison cemeteries.

"This fund is to be known as the 'monument fund of Confederate pris oners buried in northern graves,' and treasurer, Colonel James T. Gray, past commander R. E. Lee Camp No. this fund, except over his signature.

"These dead heroes of ours from every southern state appeal to their your gun." survivors throughout our land. Re member their sacrifices and suffering. All should feel it their privilege to contribute to this cause. Those who have relatives or friends still 'wounded and missing' may join in these monuments, and feel that their loved ones will now be recognized.

'It is such a modest sum that is asked, it ought to be readily gotten at once from our camps and Confederate organizations alone; but to insure success we cordially invite every one who is interested in the Confederate cause to contribute their mite towards the accomplishment of this noble object."

The committee in charge of the work is composed as follows: Messrs. William P. Smith, James T. Gray and Corbin W. Mercer, Lee camp; Mrs. N. V. Randolph, Mrs. Dabney Carr and Mrs. Kate J. Winn, Daughters of Confederacy; Mr. J. E. B. Stuart, Jr., Rev. James E. Cook and Mr. E. Leslie Spence, Jr., Sons of Veterans.

OUR RAILROADS.

Some Very Interesting Statistics Concern

ing Them, For year's Poor's Manual has been a standard authority on railroad sta-tistics. The value of this publication increases every year, and its thir even largerand more complete than any their characters, kill his conscience Point, three of the party climbed out of its predecessors. It contains 1,384 and damn their souls for dollars and on the boom and commenced to rock pages and gives a detailed statement of the mileage, earnings and finances of all the railroads in the United States, Canada, and Mexico, besides full facts concerning street railways, directory of railway officials, master mechanics and purchasing agents and adequate statements of the finances and resources of the United States and

508, the total liabilities being \$11,968, 844.086 The passenger mileage was 13,054 840.243 miles; the freight mile age, 93,885,853,634 miles. Earnings were, from passengers, \$265,313 258 from freight, \$770.424,013; from other sources, \$89,894 754. Deducting operating expenses the net earnings are found to have been \$332,333,756

and total revenue \$436,341,298. The average receipts per passenger per mile were 2 032 cents; the average distance traveled by each passenger 24 4 miles, and the average number of passengers carried to each mile of road quence of reorganizations, as much as badly burt. The fast mail train going \$179,085,969, or 3 17 per cent Share capital for like reason, in part, in creased 3.7 per cent. The average cost of roads per mile, as measured by stocks and bonds was \$59,732. or \$456 less than in 1895. Net earnings the fast mail, the boilers of all three in the previous year, though the earnings per ton per mile were 2.15 per car of the westbound train ran on top cent. less. The tonnage moved and of the three engines and two mail cars number of passengers carried were appreciately greater than in 1895, the increase of the former being 6 per cent; per cent of our railway mileage is now in steel rails.

The manual shows that the new It was decided to erect a monument end of 1896 it had risen to the enor--at each of these cemeteries. The of railway construction in the south for the next year or two are fine and monuments will be of uniform design, the condition, both financial and phyplain shafts, with appropriate inscripsical, of the railroads in this section, has been much improved during the will cover the cost of this work and a joint committee from the Lee Camp Confederate veterans, the Daughters of the Confederace and the Sons of the with the material progress and developmen tof the country.

A BRAVE PREACHER

Has a Remarkable Experience With a Highwayman.

Rev. Sam Jones, tells the following story in the Atlanta Journal: bly can When I was in Texas a few months water." ago I heard a well authenticated case urer, Colonel James T. Gray, post ago I heard a well authenticated case commander of R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1, of this kind which happened in that community. A local Methodist and came out with the water, which preacher-a plain, unassuming man he gave to the suffering passenger. was riding into town on horseback. erans, Daughters of the Confederacy: Passing one of his neighbor's homes the injured, and was everywhere pres-There lie in prison cemeteries through- on the way the neighbor stepped out out the north 30,000 of "Our Dead." of his gate and asked the preacher if With two exceptions (Camp Chase and he would take a check to town and Camp Douglass), no stone marks their bring back \$5,000 in cash for him; resting place. 'Tis true they sleep that he had bought a piece of land resting place. 'Tis true they sleep that he had bought a piece of land well, "for all the world is native land and the man was there with the deed to the brave," but soon even the local- to deliver and he wanted to pay him ities will be forgotten. 'Died in pris the money. The preacher replied he on,' these boys of ours, many from would certainly do him the kindness the far south, in their 'blue jeans and to bring him the money. He rode brown cotton clothes,' shivering from on into town and when through with

> five thousand dollars." The local preacher replied:

I won't do it, sir."
"Well, if you don't I will kill you,"

"All right," said the preasher, "you oners buried at Camp Chase should be can get the money after I am remembered. This was done, but there dead, but not while I am alive."

are still 30,000 who rest in unmarked "What do you mean?" said the

"Yes," said the preacher, "I think

you will, but you will have to kill me to get it." The highwayman then said to the preacher: "What do you mean by

raise about \$4,000. We only ask for a this? Do you think more of that simple shaft at these places, erected man's five thousand dollars than you "No," replied the preacher, "but I do think more of my character than

has in hand by next spring will be di- I do of my life. I have a wife and several boys and girls at home. Their husband and father is known as an honest, upright man. If I give you this money and then go to the man whose money it is and tall him that I all contributions are to be sent to the was robbed on the highway, he would never believe me. My character trains on the Santa Fe system, and the would be gone and my children dis westbound train must have been run 1. Confederate Veterans, Richmond, graced. So I affirm to you sir, that I Va., and nothing can be drawn from think more of my character than I do of my life. If you will have the money, whack away with

> The highwayman looked at him and said:

"I haven't it in my heart to shoot a man like you. Go on with your life and money too."

A few months afterward this highwayman did kill a man, was convict ed and sentenced to be hanged. To a visiting preacher he confessed, among other things, these facts in reference, to the local preacher. The visiting pastor went to the local preacher and asked him if it was true. "Yes," said he, "it occured just as the highwayman has related it to you.'

"Why," said the visiting pastor "you never said anything about it." "No," said the local preacher. never have said anything about it. I never told my wife about it.'

"Wny?" "Because I didn't think it was any thing to talk about. Some people might have thought that I was telling a falsehood or trying to give an illus tration of my bravery or something of that kind; but the thing occurred just as related.'

"Oh, if we had a citizenship like this, where every man and boy thought more of his character than he did of his life, and would die before he'd bring reproach upon himself or his day afternoon. A party of ten charfamily. Then we would have a world worth living in. But chattles are put up the lake. When near the mouth of teenth annual number just issued is above character now and men ruin cents. And in the end they realize that they made a bargain that bankrupted tham here and ruined them hereafter. Let every man be true to his own character and honest with all those with whom he has dealings.

Fell from the Porch.

Col. Isaac W. Avery, at one time of the several states and municipalities. leditor of the Atlanta Constitution, At the close of 1896 there were in former minister to Mexico and comthe United States, according to Poor's missioner of South American repub-Manual, 182,600 miles of railroad, an lies for the Cotton States and Interna-

A FRIGHTFUL WRECK.

SANTA FE FAST TRAINS CRASH HEAD-LONG TOGETHER.

Lecomotives Explede-Making Hole in Which Cars Sink-Dozons Killed and

A special from Emporia, Kas., says: One of the worst wrecks in the history of the Santa Fe railroad occurred three miles cast'of here at about 7 was 38.66. The funded indebtedness o'clock tonight. Twelve or fifteen of the railroads decreased, in conseexpress bound west, collided head on. The Mexico and California express was pulled by two locomotives, and when they struck the engine drawing were 3 23 per cent better in 1896 than engines exploded and tore a hole in the ground so deep that the smoking and balanced there, without turning over. The passengers in the smoking of the latter 3 46 per cent. Over 88 The front end of this car was enveloped

car escaped through the windows. in a volume of stifling smoke and steam boiling up from the wreck below and the rear door was jammed tight in the wreck of the car behind. The wreck caught fire from the engines. The cars in the hole and the smoker burned out of the smoking car several men fell through the rifts into the wreck below, and it is impossible to tell whether they escaped or were burned to

The westbound train carried seven or eight ccaches, and its passengers. included many excursionists, who had been to hear Hon. W. J. Bryan speak at the county fair at Burlingame. Mr. Bryan himself was on the train, but was riding in the rear Pullman, some 400 feet from the cars which were wrecked. He states that nothing but a heavy jolt was experienced by the passengers in his coach.

Mr. Bryan was one of the noblest men in the crowd of rescuers. He helped to carry out the dead and wounded and gave the greatest attention to their care. Cne poor fellow, who was badly maimed, called to Mr. Bryan and said:

"I went to hear you tody, I am now dying and want to shake your hand and say God bless you. If you possibly can, Mr. Bryan, get me a drink of

Mr. Bryan went into the fast mail car, one end of which was burning, He brought out cushions for others of ent to administer to the wants of the suffering.

It is feared that nearly all of the seven mail clerks perished in the dis aster but so far only eight bodies have been taken from the wreck. Those dead are:

Jim Branmen, engineer, Topeka. Nate Hollister, fireman, Topeka. J. F. Souders, Kansas City, express messenger, bcdy almost consumed by

William Frisby, engineer. R. A. Doran, Emporia, postal clerk. W. Gonzales, fireman, westbound

Unkdown man, tramp, Topeka. W. Bragman. Among the seriously injured are: Claude Holliday, Lawrence, Kan., express messenger, both legs broken.

Will die. D. C. Erler, Kansas City, express messenger, legs broken; will die. John Dagan, Topeka, face smashed. J. T. Batler, county attorney, Chase

county, hip broken; may die. William F. Jones, Kansas City, legs and arms broken. B. P. Metik, Atchison, badly bruised. Phil Schuer, Kansas City, hip

crushed. C. A. Vanliot, brakeman, Kansas City, badly bruised.

William Patrick, Kansas City, leg and arm broken. C. D. Adams, City of Mexico, painfully bruised.

Mike Sweeney, Gainesville, Texas, back hurt. Ben Walters, the St. Joseph, Mo. fireman on the westbound train, is

missing. The engineer of the westbound train had received orders to meet the fast mail at Emporia, and was making up lost time. These two are the fastest ning at a speed of at least forty miles an hour. The westbound express was going around a slight curve, and met the fast mail, probably within two hundred feet. Of the seven or eight cars making up the Mexico and California express, only the mail, baggage and express and smoking cars were destroyed. The coach following

the smoker was badly splintered. There were not more than a dczon passengers on the fast mail, all in one coach, and while none of them were seriously injured, their shaking up was terrible. Every seat in the coach was torn from the floor, and many floor planks came up with the seats One man, John Sweeney, was thrown over three seats and through a window, but escaped with only scratches

and bruises. It is stated that the wreck was caused by a miscarriage of orders from the trainsmaster. At Enporia the eastbound fast mail train received orders to pass the California express at Land, seven miles east. Another order was sent to Land for the California express to take the siding there, but this order was not delivered, and the west bound train passed on, the trianmen expecting to pass the fast mail at Em-

Fix Men Drowned.

Six young men were drowned from a yacht near Wind Mill Point in Lake St. Clair, Mich., late Wednestered the yacht Blanch B. and went Fox Creek, and nearly off Wind Mill the craft, which, being heavily bass asted, lurched over and capsized, going to the bottom. Six men who were in the cock pit were drowned. The youngsters who caused the disaster, and one other, were saved by a boat which sculled out from shore.

Fate of a Smallpox Suspect.

A negro woman named Anna Hugh, uspected of having contracted smallpax, escaped from custody and attended a church and created a panic capital stock of our immense railway porch of his residence in Kirkwood, a system was \$5,290,730,567; the funded suburb of Atlanta Wednesday night, \$5,416,074,969, unfunded debt, and died Thursday from the effects of the ard of her until she was found dead with her skull crushed in a field.

World's Dispensary Medical Associations supposed to be best for gleaning information, are oftener wrong that Pierce's 1008 page "Common Sense information, are oftener wrong that Pierce's 1008 page "Common Sense information, are oftener wrong that with her skull crushed in a field."

A STRANGE SCENE.

4 Cordemnod Marderer Preaches to Illa Fellow Prisoners.

H. S. Perry, the condemned murdeter of Bely Lanier, who was hanged on last Wednesday, conducted religious services in the Atlanta jail the Sunday before he was hung, and preached a sermon to the 300 convicts assembled that led to scenes dramatic almost beyond description.

When Dr. Stevenson, the chaplain, visited the prison this mornidg Perry requested permission to lead the morning services and the sheriff consenting the chaplain also gave his consent. The condemned man was unchained east and the Mexico and California and taken into the chapel, where all the convicts were assembled. After Dr. Stevenson had introduced him to his strange audience he took position back of the little pulpit as calmly and with as much self-assurance as though the matter was an every day occurrence with him. He read two chapters from the Bible and chose as his text: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." Perry began by saying that he was

to be hanged within three days, and that he felt it to be his duty to take advantage of the little time spared him to do some good among his fellowmen. He earnestly and elequently urged those about him to reform and live honest lives hereafter. He told them how thankful they ought to be to ashes in a short time. In climbing that so much time was spared them. He spoke of leaving his wife and five children with no one to care for them. Here some of the convicts began to sob and wail. Negroes wrung their hands and fell down on their knees, shouting and praying.

Perry said that while his children must grow up to learn that their father had died on the gallows he had no fear but that they would some day learn to revere his memory and to love him for sacrificing his own life to save their mother's honor.

"The thought of leaving these dear ones behind," he said, "is all I have to regret, but I am consoled to a great extent for I know when I am gone they can come to me. Then when we meet all will be joy. There will be no more parting. We can all join the heavenly band, where there will be no more sorrow, but everything will be love and joy.

"Of course it will always be hurled in on my dear childrens' faces how their father met his death. Thank God, their good mother can tell them why I was put to death by the hands of the law, and this pure woman is the only living one that knows the whole truth which wicked men have re'used to believe.

"This dear mother will not only de liver the sad message, but she can re peat these glorious words, 'While your father died on the gallows, thank God he died trusting the Lord.' And this dear mother can read the grand promises of Jesus to them and teach them the way they can go to that land of rest and be with their father forever, where death and sorrw are not known, "I feel thankful I have no envy in

my heart against any one, but my love runneth out to everybody. With these beautiful promises and many others that make my heart rejoice, feel it is only a short step to the presence of God, where I can meet those loved ones who have gone before.

"This, of course, will be a sad part-ing here with my dear wife, loving children, affectionate brothers and sisters, but oh, what a joyful meeting I will have. A father and mother, also a brother and one sweet little child of mine, are awaiting my coming on the other shore, and when I am gone I hope not one soul will wish for me back on this vile and sinful world, but that every one will now prepare to meet me in the sweet by and by. May God bless and keep His dear ones

from sin." His audience finally became so demonstrative that he could proceed only with difficulty, and he called on the prison choir to sing. Taylor Delk, the outlaw, whose son Tom was hanged a few weeks ago, and who himself is to be hanged next month, arose in his place and led the singing, waving his long arms wildly in front of his ex-

cited chorus. In conclusion Perry asked every man present who honestly meant to reform and would try to meet him in heaven to come forward and shake his hand, and every man among them accepted the invitation.

A Good Piano. A piano is usually purchased but once in a lifetime and hence the greatest care should be used in its selection. A good piano will last a lifetime and

give endless enjoyment. A poor piano will last a few years and give endless vexation. Read Ludden & Bates' clever advertisement in this issue and it will tell you how to secure the good piano at a comparatively low figure. Ludden & Bates have been selling pianos in the South for over a quarter of a century and it is a well known fact that their advertising statements are conservatively made and are alway strictly

lived up to. Taose wishing pianos cannot order from a more reliable house. Read their advertisement. Pianos and Organs.

The fall season is come-and with it good prospects of a good crop. Now is the time for music loving people to look out for pianos and organs of standard makes at moderate prices. These may be found at the establishment of M. A. Malone, Columbia, S. C. His new advertisement tells of the instruments he can supply. He solicits correspondence, and he will promptly furnish any desired information. Drop him a line.

A mirror could not lie if it wanted to. The glass has nothing to gain by flattery. If the rose of health and plump ness of beauty are leaving your face. your mirror will tell you so. Health is the greatest beautifier in the world. When a woman sees the indications of ill health in the face, she may with almost absolute certainty look 045,000 last year, making it worth for the cause in one or both of two nearly \$38,000,000 more than the forconditions - constipation, and demer crop. The latest cotton news also rangement of the organs distinctly places the total number of spindles in feminine. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Pre- the south at 3,851,991, an increase of scription will cure permanently and 158,753. The total number of mills in positively any so called "female com the south is 482, being an increase of plaint." Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets seven new mills for the year. These will cure constipation. There is no facts, says a writer in the Atlanta reason in the world why a woman Journal are worthy of consideration should not be perfectly healthy. She in that they make the situation from will gain in health, strength and fiesh. the farmers' standpoint decidedly ros-Hollow and angles will give place to lier. It is useless, in fact a very unfullness and grace. She will be that wise thing for men who are not thornoblest and most beautiful of all creation-a perfect woman.

Send 21 cents in one cent stamps to World's Dispensary Medical AssociaMASSACRE OF MINERS.

TERRIBLE CRISIS IN THE COAL STRIKE SITUATION.

Blocdthirsty Deputies Shoot Into a Mob of Miners, Apparently Without Justification ing Forty or More.

The strike situation reached a terriole crisis on the outskirts of Latimer, Pa., Friday afternoon, when a band of deputy sheriffs fired into an infuri ated mob of miners. The men fell like so many sheep, and the excite ment since has been so intense that no accurate figures of the dead and wounded can be obtained. Reports run from fifteen to twenty odd killed and forty or more wounded. Many of these will die. Oae man who reached the scene Friday night count ed thirteen corpses. Four other dead lie in the mountains between Latimer and Harleigh. Those who were not injured carried their dead and wounded friends into the woods, and estimate is baffled.

The strikers left Haselton at 3:30 o'cleck Friday afternoon, announcing their intention to go to Latimer. As soon as this became known, a band of deputies was loaded on a trolley car and sent whirling across the mountain to the scene of the bloody conflict which followed. After reaching Latimer, they left the car and formed into three companies, under Thomas Hall, E. A. Hessel and Samuel B. Price. They drew up in line at the edge of the village, with a fence and a line of houses in their rear.

Sheriff Martin was in command and stood in the front of the line until the strikers approached. They were seen coming across the ridge, and Martin went out to meet them.

The men drew up sullenly and listened in silence until he had once more read the riot act. This finished, a low muttering arose among the foreigners, and there was a slight move ment forward. Perceiving this, the sheriff stepped toward them, and, in a determined tone, forbade advance. Some one struck the sheriff, and the next moment there was a command to the deputies to fire. The guns of the deputies instantly sent forth a terrible

Volley. The strikers were taken entirely by surprise, and as the men toppled and fell over each other, those who ramained unhurt stampeded. The men went down before the storm of bullets like ten-pins, and the groans of the dying and wounded filled the air. The excitement that followed was simply indescribable. The deputies seemed to be terror struck at the deadly execution of their guns, and seeing the living strikers fleeing and the others dropping to the earth, they went to the aid of the unfortunates whom they had brought down.

The people of Latimer rushed pel mell to the scene, but the shrieks of the wounded drowned the cries of the sympathizing and half crazed inhabitants. The reporter who soon after wards reached the place found the road leading to Latimer filled with groups of frightened Hungarians. Some surrounded dying companions, and others, fearful of pursuit, clung to the new comer and begged his pro tection.

At Farley's there were two men lying on the porch. Both had been shot in the head. One had three bul lets in him. His groans and appeals for a doctor or death were heart rend state of mal-nutrition can only be overcome by a scientific remode like Dr. Piccoli ing. All along the road the wounded men who were able to leave the field of battle scattered and sought the shade of the trees for protection. but shade of the trees for protection, but there was no need of that then.

there was no need of that then.

Approaching the place where the shooting occurred, people were met wringing their hands and bemoaning the catastrophe. They could not talk the catastrophe. intelligently, and it was with the greatest difficulty that information strength and healthy nerve-force. It is the could be learned. Along the bank of the trolley road men lay in every position, some dead, others dying. Three bodies, face downward, lay along the incline, and three others were but a short distance away. On the other side of the road, as many more bodies lay. The school house was transformed into a temporary hospital, and some of the wounded were taken there. The colliery ambulance was summened to the place as soon as possible, and immediately upon its ar rival, two men, both shot through the legs, were loaded into the wagon. All along the hillside wounded men were found. Many others who had been carried to a distance could not be found.

As soon as the news of the shooting reached Haselton there was consternation. Within ten minutes the streets were blocked with excited people. The Lehigh Traction company imme diately placed a number of cars on the Latimer line and doctors and clergymen responded promptly. Amid the excitement the deputies turned their attention to the wounded and carried many of them to places where they could be more comfortably treated.

Martin Roski, an intelligent Hunga rian from Mt. Pleasant, who was shot in the arm, was seen by a reporter on the car coming over, and gave this version of the affair: "We were going along the road to Latimer, and the deputies were lined across the road, barring our progress. We tried to go through them, and did not attempt to hit or molest them until they fired upon us. We ran, but they kept on shooting on us while we ran. It is all their fault."

THE OUTLOOK FOR COTTON.

A Prediction that it Will Bring Better Prices.

Secretary Hester, of the New Orleans cotton exchange, places the value of the cotton crop of the season now on at \$321,925,000, against \$294,oughly informed to make prediction at this stage as to the size of the crop and price of the staple. Men in positions supposed to be best for gleaning information, are oftener wrong than ten the cause of loss to farmers and to PIANOS AND ORGANS.

men who use their "tips" for speculaire purposes There is believed to be a large crop of cotton, and this has been harped on so long and so persist ently by the professional "bears" that the price of the staple has slowly gra vitated lower. But as a matter of strict fact the surface indications were never stronger for a rise in cotton, despite the predictions of the wis acres of an unusually large yield. From a statistical standpoint the situation is one of promise. There has seldom been a smaller supply, visible or invisible, and the prospects of increased consumption are firstclass The low price of wheat in the past has prevented the westerners from mak ing larger purchases of cotton goods but this year a double or triple demand is expected. The prospects for an enlarged use in the east were never better, and the cotton trade has rarely known of Europe's holding less cotton than at the present time. Take, f you please, the gloomy forebodings of the "bears"-and until December s prediction is not worth the paper on which it is luminously set forth—and still there is no cause for alarm. Even if there is a prospect of a 10 per cent. increase in the crop, there is even a better prospect for a 10 per cent. increase in the demand. With these lights the farmer had best sit steady in the boat. Its an old saying more or less true that whatever the south thinks about cotton issure not to happen. Nevertheless the unwisdom

ike all others, has two strong sides. May and December.

of talking low prices is manifest. How

often have we of the south witnessed the terrified farmer rushing his cotton

to market on a strong "bear" tip, only to find that when it has passed into

the hands of others that the price goes

soaring to top notch figures? While

on the other hand predictions of high

prices have caused them to hold their

cotton at a loss. And this question

Gen. Longstreet was married to Miss Ellen Dortch in Atlanta on Wed nesday. The groom is seventy-five years of age and the bride is only wenty-two.

A Valuable Grip.

Customs inspectors at Larado, Texas, have found an unclaimed grip on a train containing \$200,000 worth of diamonds, jewelry and other valuables.

A MAINE man who recently sued his neighbor for occupying three inches of his land was not a little discomfited when a survey proved that he him self was the trespasser to the extent of two feet and eleven inches. His over throw was complete when his neigh bor shook hands with him and told him that the fence needn't be moved.



A sick person trying to keep up on mere stimulating tonics is like any one pretend-ing to swim while supported by a belt. The instant the support is withdrawn down

you go. Nearly all diseases result from a deepseated impairment of the nutritive powers which cannot be reached by any temporary exhilaration. The only good that any medcine can do is to increase your own natura powers of recovery and make you able to swim for yourself.

The debilitating weakness, nervousness and digestive disorder which indicates this

carries genuine permanent vitality to every

Mrs. Ella Howell, of Derby, Perry Co., Ind., writes: "In the year of 1894 I was taken with stomach trouble—nervous dyspepsia. There was a coldness in my stomach, and a weight which seemed like a rock. Everything that I ate gave me great pain; I had a bearing down sensation; was swelled across my stomach; had a ridge around my right side, and in a short time I was bloated. I was treated by three of our best physicians but got no relief. Then Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery was recommended to me and I got it, and commenced the use of it. I began to see a change for the better. I was so weak I could not walk across the room without assistance. I took Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and one bottle of the 'Pleasant Pellets.' I began to improve very fast after the use of a few bottles. The physicians who attended me said I had 'dropsy' and that my disease was leading into pulmonary consumption. I had quite a cough, and the home physicians gave me up todie. I thank God that mycure is permanent." Mrs. Ella Howell, of Derby, Perry Co., Ind. writes: "In the year of 1894 I was taken with

Are you aware
That you can save from \$10.00 to 20.00

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Pianos and Organs the market affords. No Jobber

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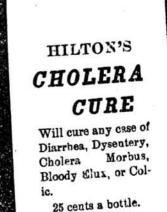
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